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To: Nursing Facility (12) Provider Letter A-238

SNF, ICF, ICF/MR (11) Provider Letter A-346

Re: Money Follows the Person Rebalancing Demonstration

Dear Kentucky Medicaid Provider:

Kentucky Transitions, enacted by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 as the Money Follows the Person (MFP) Rebalancing Demonstration, is a program developed by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services through a grant from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. The goal of Kentucky Transitions is to provide transition assistance and community supports to any resident of a nursing facility or ICF/MR who chooses to move back to the community.

The Kentucky Transitions Project supports the 1990 American with Disabilities Act that declared that people have the right to live in the "most integrated setting" by informing nursing home and ICF/MR residents of their right to home and community based services. Kentucky Transitions provides guidance and assistance in transitioning aged or disabled individuals from facilities back into the community. Key to a successful transition requires active participation in the process, motivation and having a vested interest in re-entry into the community.

To find out if any of your residents qualify, or if you know of someone who wants to live independently, please contact the Kentucky Transitions team at (502) 564-0330.

Sincerely.

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Commissioner

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